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Friday, November 4th, 2022

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Save The Date

We're back and in-person!

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Please join EBC in making sure all children are safe, healthy, and resilient... writing their story for the future!

Thrive Benefit Luncheon

Meydenbauer Center, Bellevue WA

- Reception: begins at 10:30am
- Luncheon: Noon to 1:15pm

Emcee: **Angel Poe Russell**

Host/Reporter, KING-TV

There is no cost to attend. Guests will be asked to make a donation during the luncheon.

Sign up to be a Table Captain or become a Sponsor:

www.babycorner.org/thrive

or by emailing us at:
development@babycorner.org

COVID-19 safety measures are in place for this event. We anticipate regular updates this fall.

R.S.V.P.

Please respond by Friday, October 21, 2022



Count Me In!

- ☐ I wish to reserve an individual seat
- ☐ I wish to reserve a table of 10

OR, I am unable to attend.

- ☐ However, I wish to make a tax deductible donation of \$_____ so that more children receive essential care, safety, & health goods.
- ☐ enclosed is a check made payable to Eastside Baby Corner
- ☐ Please bill my credit card:
Name on Card: _____
Card Number: _____
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Email: _____

Your meal preference...

- ☐ Chicken (dairy & gluten free)
- ☐ Vegan (gluten free)

Please print the name(s) of each additional person who will be joining you at this year's event on the other side of this card. If you need additional space, scan the QR code to register, thanks!

Guest Information...

☐ Please seat me at a non-hosted table

☐ Please seat me with:

☐ Please seat me at a table hosted by:

**You can also register online by visiting
our luncheon webpage at:
www.babycorner.org/thrive or by
scanning the QR code below.**



Questions?

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BENEFIT LUNCHEON
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We're back and in person!

Signature sponsor *Sterling Realty Organization* invites you to join the EBC community at the **Thrive Benefit Luncheon**. Let's celebrate gains made for children since we've last gathered!

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Reception begins at 10:30am
Luncheon noon- 1:15pm
Meydenbauer Center
11100 NE 6th St, Bellevue

Register by October 21st and plan your attendance!



- Use the RSVP Card that's included or
- Scan the QR Code to register from your mobile device or
- Visit EBC's event website at: www.babycorner.org/thrive

There is no cost to attend. Guests will have an opportunity to make a donation in support of our work, meeting the growing needs of the most vulnerable in our community. Suggested minimum donation is \$200.

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We anticipate regular updates.

Luncheon Highlights

Christine Day (Upper Skagit) is a native author of *I Can Make This Promise*, receiving high praise and recognition including best book of the year from NPR, as well as a Charlotte Huck Award Honor Book, and an American Indian Youth Literature Award Honor Book.



Featured Speaker
Christine Day



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There will be an exciting announcement about our future!

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A black and white line art pattern featuring various school and science-related icons. The icons include a ruler, a banner saying "WELCOME", a pencil, a heart, an apple, a plus sign, a minus sign, a multiplication sign, a division sign, a book, a speech bubble, a sun, a leaf, an envelope, a heart, a number 4, a number 5, a division sign, a leaf, a squiggle, and an atom.

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Meydenbauer Center, Bellevue

Emcee
Angela Poe Russell, Reporter/KING-TV

Featured Speaker
Christine Day, Author



Hello and welcome to the Thrive Luncheon 2022!

I am so glad you could join us today—our first gathering together in a few years. I know that it feels a little scary, but it also feels wonderful!

This year's luncheon theme, *"Helping Kids Write Their Own Stories"* truly resonates with me. I recently returned from the National Diaper Bank Network conference, where one of the speakers addressed how the lack of basic needs affects children. A study by Communities in Schools found of the top 10 reasons children miss school, three of them are because they do not have their basic needs met. That is a tragedy and one that we can do something about.

Every child in our community deserves a chance to thrive. And we, as caring community members, have it within our power to help make that happen. By removing barriers to attending school, by enhancing self-esteem, by making sure that children are safe, fed and healthy, we are making a difference.

Take a moment to think about your own story and how it has been written so far. I am still writing my story. Our gathering today is part of my story that I cherish. Feeling the compassion, joy, and generosity of our community inspires me. Thank you for being part of my story. I deeply appreciate it.

Jack Edgerton, Executive Director



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Let's help kids write their stories...

Today, we assist 2,000+ kids each month, which is a 30% sustained increase in our services. EBC serves kids in 5 counties across central Puget Sound through 4 locations. This includes 75+ agency partners that translates into 250+ program sites and programs.

Last year, we kept our promise to children by growing our footprint to Shoreline and Kent. This growth came at a critical time as the economy was having a profound effect on families. Parents and caretakers are increasingly being forced to make decisions between rent and food. We can all agree that this is an impossible decision.

During the program today, you will have the opportunity to support our services. Your table captain will facilitate this by passing out a pledge card at a specific moment in the program. Thank you for helping sustain and grow our work!

Thanks to an anonymous donor, gifts of \$200 plus will be matched up to \$20,000!



Make it easy! Donate from your phone by scanning the QR Code.

Here are some ways your gift can help prepare kids for the future, ready to write their own stories...

- \$10,000** Keeps families in their homes, employed, or in school by providing up to 30 babies and toddlers with diapers for a year.
- \$5,000** Bundle up! Help nearly 200 babies and children keep warm this winter with coats, hats, gloves, and boots.
- \$2,500** Nourish a brighter future by providing the right kind of infant formula for more than 80 babies, promoting strong cognitive and physical development.
- \$1,000** Equip more than 500 families with what they need to care for their newborn by supplying layettes (baby supply bag)—everything necessary to bring a baby home from the hospital.
- \$500** Diapers to deodorant! Keep babies to middle schoolers clean and healthy with 200 orders of hygiene products, including toothpaste, shampoo, soap, deodorant, and personal care products that are right for their needs.
- \$200** Encourage school readiness and school success by unlocking the imagination of children, promoting social and emotional learning, and improving literacy skills with toys, books, and school supplies.



10:30 am **Reception**

11:30 am **Ballroom Doors Open**

12:00 pm **Welcome**

Helen Banks Routon, Director of Development

Remarks

Angela Poe Russell, Emcee

12:15 pm **Help Kids Write Their Stories...**

Video: The Why of Us, Jack Edgerton, Executive Director

Rebecca Rice, Eastside Fire & Rescue

Annika Turner, Kitsap Immigrant Assistance Center

Na'eemah Webb, Lake Washington School District

Video: Laura Ventura and Cara Ianni, King County Housing Authority

Angela Poe Russell, Emcee

Jason Hizer, Board of Directors

12:30 pm **Interview**

Christine Day, Featured Speaker

12:55 pm **Exciting Announcement**

You don't want to miss this!

1:15 pm **Luncheon Concludes**

Lunch Menu

Prepared and Presented
by Meydenbauer Center

Entrée

*Lemon Garlic Seared Chicken
(dairy-free/gluten-free) or*

*Roasted Maitake Mushrooms
(vegan/gluten-free)*

Dessert

*Coconut Rice Pudding or
Chocolate Crunch Cake*

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Emcee
Angela Poe Russell,
Reporter/KING-TV

Whether it's interviewing a sitting president, co-hosting a daily television talk show, or writing for CEOs, Angela has a remarkable ability to connect with people through the screen, face-to-face, on stage, or via the written word. She's proven that ability through her twenty years as a multimedia journalist.



Angela recently co-hosted the show "Take 5," on KING-TV (NBC). She was involved in developing all aspects of this collaboration, and was honored for her work with a prestigious Gracie Award in 2019, given by the Alliance for Women in Media for excellence in programming. She currently co-hosts King TV's 'Evening' program.



Featured Speaker Christine Day, Author

Christine Day is a citizen of the Upper Skagit Indian Tribe. Her first novel, *I Can Make This Promise*, was a best book of the year from NPR, as well as a Charlotte Huck Award Honor Book, and an American Indian Youth Literature Award Honor Book.

Her second novel, *The Sea in Winter*, was a Top 10 Indie Kids' Next

selection, a finalist for the Pacific Northwest Book Award, and an American Indian Youth Literature Award Honor Book. She also wrote *She Persisted: Maria Tallchief*, a biography in Chelsea Clinton's book series about inspirational women. Her next book, *We Still Belong*, is coming to shelves in Summer 2023.

Christine lives with her family in the rainy and resplendent Pacific Northwest.



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for your generosity, time, and energy - making
Thrive a success!*

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